Walter Camp, Back From Chicago Conference, Talks of Gridiron Situation.

#### WANTS THE 10-YARD SCHEME

Suggestion That Players be Numbered So Spectators May be Able to Recognize Them.

Walter Camp, of Yale, a member of the Foot-ball Rules Committee, is back from a conference at Chicago with prominent foot-ball lights. While in the West, at the invitation of Eyerts Wrenn, another

Avoid Unnecessary Delay.

Some legislation has been demanded in order to put a stop to the unnecessary delays in game caused by imaginary injuries. Mr. Camp thinks that if the officials would take action in such cases a stop would to put to the practice. The only objection to that would be that the officials would be a little shy about the officials would be a little shy about using their power in that respect, for officials strive to be popular as well as efficient. This officials usually receive shout two for a big same, and it would inturnily be far from them to do anything to make them unpopular with the college authorities and this run the vinness of not being selected to act as officials and to receive the \$100, which is a pretty siec thing to get around Christ-

Cry for New System. Cry for New System.

"The cry for a breakaway from the ystem now in use in the East, however, as, been so great since the big games is ast season that I thought it a good me to suggest bossible ways of legislations on as to get away from the bucking-hich has been so consistently followed, o bring this clange about the only way to legislate directly against it, as any direct legislation is apt to full in its urpose. The conditions under which the ale-Princeton and Yale-Harvard games ere played made it unsafe for Yale to lay any but a slow, hammering, line ucking game. Three downs were rejured nearly every time to make the necessary five yards, and mass plays were sed almost exclusively. Now, it never ill be possible for the game, at it is layed at present, to become so open to be sained, and that end runs would be necessary. Thus, any team could force its opponent to kick on every fourth down and a score would never be made.

"It is probable that if the ten-yard suggestion is adopted other changes in the rules will have to be made. It seems to me that ten yards as the distance to be made in three downs, with a recurrence to the rules of 1902, which required only five men on the scrimmage line, might permit consistent ground gaining. A change from three downs to four or even five has also been suggested, and various other accompanying bits of legislation will probably be considered before the ten-yard rule can be adopted.

Faster Playing

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## an Auspicious Time

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to enter the butiness of life assurance as now. It was nover so
prepercia, never so popular.
Chairs of insurance are being established in various universities,
many college nen are entering the
business immediately after gradualing; wealthy men are securing
assurance in large amounts; and
life assurance is regarded as a
necessity by all.

The man or woman, who takes adnecessity by all.

The man or woman, who takes adyear assurance now, is going to receive
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This will be especially the case if
working under the renewal contract of the Equitable, which not
only provides immediate returns,
but builds up an income for future
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Men or women of energy and

#### H. SWINEFORD & SON.

Correspondence solicited and treat-ed in confidence,

Racing at New Orleans.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, December 27.—Overnight rains caused a muddy track and upset all enleulations. Topic and Gregor K.
were the winning favorites. Summary:
Pirst race—six furlongs—Girl from Dixle

ornian (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:46.
Third race—one mille—Tho Trifier (8 to 1) first, Phwtucket (5 to 1) second, Mr. Jack (50 to 1) third. Time, 1:47-1-5.
Fourth race—six and one-half furionss, handleap—Frontense (3 to 1) first, Matador (19 to 1) second, Astarita (11 to 5) third. Time, 1:224-5.
Fifth race—six furiongs—Topic (9 to 5) first, Ed. Tiernev (3 to 1) second. Totis

### LA ROCHE SAYS HE WILL

### The Man About Town.

By HARRY TUCKER.

FACING PROBLEMS, BUT IS THRIVING

Wall Street Has Much to be Thankful for at the Holiday Season.

NEW FACTOR ON THE MARKET

Despite Setback, Improvement Has Been Satisfactory and Future Very Bright.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Contrasted with conditions prevailing one year ago, Wall Street has much to be thankful for at this, the holiday, season. It is true that Itles the season is not as merry as it promised to be at the outset of the month,

the security market was without, a prob the losses which have fallen upon many vontory values in the hands of all in-vestors and institutions are greatly im-

Duliness and careful discrimination among securities by buyers is not to the liking of Wall Street. The period of rest after the recent active speculation and violent collapse is assuredly the best thing that could happen to the markets. This is none the less true because it is compelled by conditions not to the lixing of the professional element. Following the "psychological moment" when the market toppied over, the speculative pools and eliques set manfally at work to inflate their balloons again. They made it clear that they did not intend to submit tamely to the restraints imposed by the shock to confidence and the great josses sustained by countless vicilins of the collapse. They sought to create the impression that the whole performance was mercely the results of the tirades emanat-

when tenders, while we will turn loose to the hungry. To they are really worth the hungry, to the hungry, they can be to the hungry over to the distribution, but they are good ones and are likely with all kinds of initials.

Initial coffee cups are on the list, they can be for weath they look like they are the cost.

What do we care what anything may have cost.

What do we care what anything may have cost the done, for we are here to to the most good to the greatest number of needy ones. There are a lot of Morris chairs that we cannot sit in; they may be had for cost price, or even loss.

There will be fanother sale of junk in about two weeks. The chapitally inclined twee quite kind to the barefooted ones this Christmas, and as a result we will be forced to offer a lot of remmants of billy goals, shasgy does, automobiles, and they considered. Whattver clean his aligned with the sales may do so at their aligned the sales only done to cetera, list may make the heart of all the sales might do so at their aligned the sales of the sales of the greatest number of any junk dealer at lown glad with a gladness full of joy.

The clouds crept over the western hills, the earth was full of mud.

When Mr. Jones slipped in the slush with all fand skiching that.

We was hill the was full of mud.

When Mr. Jones slipped in the slush with all fand skiching that.

When little Willie from his couch arose on yester norm in the clouds and the present of the hard of prices, the small probability probability probability for a green of the factor in the provided in the slush with all fands skiching that he worth when he had no every love the sales of the present of the had now the had now that he had to make the provided that he had to be allowed the sales of the p will probable the considered. Defore the present of the present plant of the present plant of the present plant of the pla

persons believe that Congress will be steinpeded or that radical statutes will be adopted, either in the case of Federal control of railroad rates or of corporations, That is not the point, however, not this time. It is, in fact, admitted by many bankers, rillway and corporation officials, that Federal charters, if they could be obtained, would in many cases be preferable to State charters, in view of the great diversity or State corporation laws. It is also admitted in high quarters that President Rossevelt and Commissioner Carfield have not overstated the serious abuses and evils which at present exist in transportation and corporation affairs.

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at present exist in transportation and cor-poration affairs.

It is not so intent the working out of these problems in their finality which concerns bankers and business men at this time and renders them cautious. They are more inclined to the belief that the result will be beneficial than otherwise, and that remedial and beneficial legisla-

Is Serious Matter.

That this tendency is fully recognized made clearly apparent by the references in President Roosevelt's message

Will Find Solution.

It seems not unfavorable, then, that the

#### SUIT AGAINST CALHOUN

Texas Man Says He Is Withholding Large Block of Stock.

(By Associated Press.)
HOUSTON, TEXAS, December 27,—In State District Court to-day John N

### VIRGINIA BRIEFS.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ABINGDON, VA., December 37.—Deputy Sheriff Puckett and posse of Abingdon went to Sutherland, Johnson county, Tenni., to-day to arrest Colley Osborne, who, last Saturday, Rilled an old man named Gautier, by simbbing him in the back. They returned this evening, unable to secure Osborne, who is hiding in the mountains. The killing was the ending of a long time gradge between the two men. HLUE RIDGE, VA.—It is now a certainty that the iron ore mines near here will reopen on new year. This will prove a great blessing to the laboring class. CHATHAM, VA.—The store of C. D. Bryant & Bro., at Spring Garden was damaged by fire early Sunday morning to the extent of \$60, which was covered by insurance in the Virginia Pire and Marine Insurance Company.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.—Ida While, alias Slocum, a mulatto weiman, and Jimes Deltanoy, white, were sent to the grand jury by Justice Brown in the Police Court to-day, charged with robbery from the person. The prisoners are charged with taking \$10 and a watch and chain from a young man named Mouring, while the latter was drunk.

NORFOLK, VA.—Sarah Jackson, colored, who was stabbed by her sister, Martha, at their home, No. 68 Smith Street, yesterday, while engaged in a quarrel over a man, died at \$1. Vincent's Hospital early this morning. The charge of murder has been entered against Martha.

ROANOKE, VA.—The jail commission.

Martia.

ROANOKE, VA.—The jail commission made an examination of the city jail this morning and adjourned to meet to-morrow when evidence will be heard.

"LAXO takes the place of calomel,"

# SAYS CUBA IS DOING HER DUTY

Inesada Issues Official Statemen Concerning Alleged Neglect

#### NO YELLOW FEVER THERE

Minister Declares His Country Is to a Great Extent Quarantine of the United States.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 27.— Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister, h peginning again to obtain a foothold in official statement:

of Cuba has steadily decreased since the

#### Quarantine of America.

houses of Santingo de Cuba.

"Sporadic cases are liable to occur There is no santiation known which can prevent such case. Vaccination has been used for years, and still there is small-pox. The utmost that can be expected of any country, is that it sees to it that its sanitary conditions are not a menace to its neighbors, and that if quarantine diseases should appear, proper precautions to taken to prevent their becoming epidmic, and reaching other countries to their detriment.

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"The government of Cuba is doing its full duty in the matter and intends to continue improving the santary conditions of the small, as well as of the larger towns, which now can be compared, without any disadvantage, with those of any other country. Cuba thus far has shown that it is protecting its sanitary officers are fully able to meet any emergency, and court any scientific investigation carried on in good faith."

### FOUGHT OVER GIRL: FOUR MEN ARE DEAD

Christmas Dance in West Virginia Ends With Bloody

JOHN and MARVIN HART, aged nty-three and twenty-six, respec-

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ttively.

MARTIN JOHNSON,
LUTHER BASCOM.
William Riley and Henry Turbeville
are injured, the latter probably fatally.
The tragedy occurred at a Christmas
dance, which began Sunday night about
9 o'clock after a Christmas entertainment in the church at that place.

#### CRAZED BY FAILURE, -BROKER KILLS HIMSELF

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORIK, December 27.—Made desperate by the failure of the American Fuel Corporation, of which he was the secretary, George S. Evans, a broker and promoter, ended his life in a hotel in Jersey City yesterday by shooting himself in the head.

When he committed the act, his wife was sitting before a window in the residence of her father, in Bloomfield, N.d., waiting for her husband, and when a mossenger brought the announcement of the tragedy she collapsed, and is now in a surious condition.

## FEEDING HUNGRY

(By Associated Press.)

FALL FIVER, MASS., Dec. 27.—Every effort was made by the Salvation Army, the associated charities and benevolent societies in and outside of the city to give the families of the striking cotton mill employes of this city a joyous Christmas. Tons of food, warm clothing and many little luxuries were distributed, yet the Salvation Army leaders said that there was much actual suffering in the city which they could not relieve. Soup kitchens were one all day in various sections of the city. Three carloads of useful gifts came from Boston and materially assisted in the work of relief.

#### AGED SAILORS TRY TO SAVE CHAPEL FROM FLAMES

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The heautiful chahel at Saltors Snug Harbor, a home for indigent scamen at New Brighton, Staten Island, was gutted by fire early yesterday, The losswas 175.00. The chapet was a replica of St. Paul's, London, and

Light and the distance of the first and most apenaive organs in the United States. The swe old salfors in the Snig Harbor responded to a man to fight the first though some fainted through over exertion.

Found Dead in Bed. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 27

Cotton Convention.

MACON, (IA., December 27.—A special to the Telegraph from Monticello, Ga., says that President Harvis, Jordan of the Southern Cotton Growers' Protective Association, to-day, issued a, call for an interstate convention, to be held at New Orleans, January 24-25, 1904.

### DRUNKEN COUNTRYMEN **CUT THROATS OF MEN**

Sheriff Responded to Demand of Crowd by Arresting Two Would-be Lynchers.

(By Associated Press.)
MACON, GA., December 27.—A special to the Teegraph from Dubin, Ga., says that a crowd of drunken pountrymen assaulted N. S. West, brother of the superin-

### ENGINEER KILLED BY **WOMAN HE INSULTED**

Attempted to Regain Access to House From Which He Had Been Ejected.

BATSON, TEX., Dec. 27.—W. R. Constan, an engineer employed by an oil company here, was short and killed yesterday by Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, wife of another engineer. The shooting occurred on the doorstap of the Nichols residence. Constan gained access to the house, it is alloged, insulted Mrs. Nichols, whereupon he was elected. He returned later and Offer. Nichols fired at him from the doorway, killing him instantly.
Mrs. Nichols was arrested, but later released on a small bond to appear before the grand jury.
Constants reported to have a family,

REAL ESTATE-For Rent.

RARE CHANCE. STORE NO. 214 N. FIFTH STREET, in rear of Cliff Well's, corner Fifth and Broad. One of the most desirable locations in the city, \$30 per annum to quick tenant.

Dec 28-5t N. W. BOWE & SON.

REAL ESTATE-

John T. Goddin & Co.

MONEY TO LEND

Property for Sale, Made,—Your Business Solicited. dec 25&28.

FINANCIAL.

5 PER CENT. MONEY

N SUMS FROM \$2,000 TO \$20,000 TO nd on Richmond city real estate.

SUTTON & CO...
18 N. Ninth St.

NOTICE.,

### TAX NOTICE!

ERY male 21 years of age, and EVERY male 21 years of age, and NVERY person keeping house or doing pusiness in the city is assessed for personal taxe... Those who have not paid any city taxes during the year will please call and settle, so as to avoid being posted as delinquent. GRADING, PAYING, PIPE AND SEW-ER CONNECTION BILLS are also due, and will have to be declared delinquent if not paid on or before end of year.

FIVE PER CENT, will be added to last half if not paid on or before DECEMBER 31st.

Interest at SIX PER CENT, also attaches to all bills as soon as reported delinquent.

Particular attention is called to the above, as under an ordinance passed by the City Council there can be no avoidance of the pensity.

FRANK W. CUNNINGHAM,

Dec 1-im Collector of City Taxes.

### NOTICE.

City Auditor's Office, Richmond, Va., Dec. 17, 1904.

### Holders of Registered and Coupon Bonds FALL RIVER STRIKERS of the City of Richmond, Va., Maturing January 1st, 1905,

are hereby notified to present them at this office for redemption, as they will cease to bear interest from that date. EDW. J. WARREN,

and Sec'y Board S'k's Fund Comm'rs.

and Sec'y Doard S'k'g Fund Comm'rs.

Notice to Navigators of the
Harbor of Richmond.

WHILE THE DREDGING OF HARD rock in the harbor of Richmond, near to and approaches to the ship locks is being carried on, there is a probability of large rocks being pushed by the dipper of the dredge into shallow water, which would be dangerous obstructions. Therefore, I advise all vessels coming into the silp, or dock, to keep the wharves closa aboard.

JOHN A. CURFIS, Harbor Master, New York Herald please copy.

AUCTION SALES-This Day

By The Valentine Auction Co.,

Storage Auction Sale URNITURE, BLANKETS, TABLE CLOTHS, STOVES, CARPETS, RUGS, PICTURES, ETC., his Wednesday Mornit;), December 28th.

We will sell for storage account, 10 exce

By A. J. Chewning Company, Real Estate Auctioneers,

HIGH CONSTABLE'S SALE

AUCTION SALES, Future Days

T RUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE LAND, SUSSEX COUNTY, VA., NEAR JARRATT AND STONY CREEK STATIONS.

and the purchaser to pay taxes and county levies on the land for the year 1905.

GEORGE MASON, Truste.

SEALED PROPOSALS.

#### \$30,000 MARTINSVILLE, VA., BONDS.

UNTIL JANUARY THE 19TH, AT 19 o'clock M. scaled bids will be received for \$30,000 of 5 per cent. tax receivable coupon, thirty-four year Electric Plant Bonds of the town of Martinsville, Va. or any part thereof. This is the first issue of \$50,000 5 per cent. bonds authorized by the vote of the people, in danches and o'ptrst Series Electric Plant Bonds, dated January 2, 1806, bearing interest, rom that date, payable semi-annually, July 2d and January 2d. They will be delivered to purchaser on January 25th, or as soon thereafter as they are received from the lithographer. Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

Chairman Finance Committee.

PROPOSALS FOR CITY PRINTING-STATIONERY, BINDING, ETC.-Sealed proposals for furnishing the city of Itloimonal with stationery, Printing, Binding, etc., for the year 1906, will be received by the Committee on Printing and Ckims until 8 P. M. DECEMBER 30, 1904, when the committee will meet to open same. Bids must be upon the blanks, which can be procured of the plerk at 2, 4 and 6 South Fights Street, and must be endoused on the outside to show contents. All proposals must be left at Room 11, Third Floor, City Hall Every bid for such class of work must be accompanied by a certified check for \$100. Hond will be required of the successful bidders.

The committee reserves the right reject any or all bids in whole or in part or to award contracts item by item.

By order of the committee.

Deo 28-8t Richmond, Va., Dec. 22, 1904.
Office of the Street Cleaning Department,
Room No. 0. City Mail.
SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE REsceived at this office until noon DEOFSE.
HER Sidh, 1904. For the Refilling of Hollsera for Machine Brooms, and size for furnishing the Department with Hand Brooms of Steel and Bass.
The contract to be let for one year from January 1st, 1905. Roud will be required for the faithful performance of the contract.
By order of the Committee on Health.
HENRY J. COMM.